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4. The DD/P decided that CIA should not interfere in this suit at all. If RAUS wanted to allege that he was a CIA agent, or received information from the CIA, we should not stop him. If discovery techniques were directed against the Agency, we would resist them on legal principles. Mr. Helms was informed that the worst that could happen to us was publicity indicating that CIA was executing political maneuvers in the U.S. and refused to stand by its agent when he followed orders in perpetrating this slander. It is also possible that the Director will be subpoenaed for testimony by Mr. Karlquist (P).

5. In light of the DD/P position, it will be necessary to consider protective measures to conceal CIA dealings with RAUS. RAUS's attorneys are aware that he does not know the true name of his case officer, nor do they. In order to defend this case, it may be one of our cleared attorneys who seeks discovery against CIA. In such case, we shall have advance warning concerning the nature of the attempt. At present, legal authorities are being checked for possible grounds of refusal.

6. It has not been decided whether CIA shall pay the damages from this suit. RAUS's ability to recover indemnification in the Court of Claims is doubtful but not impossible.

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